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NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

Early week prices in Chicago were unchanged on mediums but higher on larger sized eggs. Elsewhere, prices were higher on all sizes. During the week prices were sharply higher. The market tone was firm. Demand ranged moderate to very good. Supplies of extra large and large were close to tight and held with confidence. Medium eggs were about adequate to barely adequate for trade needs. Central States breaking stock nest run prices were higher. Demand continued moderate with the majority of production requirements being filled with regular commitments and company owned production. Gradeable heavy nest runs were being diverted into retail channels and this was tightening up availability of heavy nest runs. Floor stocks adequate. Schedules generally full-time with many breakers looking to reduce schedules next week. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady. Demand for light type fowl was fully adequate to ample offers for the continuing light demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	100-102	93-95	75-77
New York	83-87	81-85	51-55
Philadelphia	68.5-85	67.5-83	46-53

SOUTHERN CITIES

Atlanta (1) (2)	63.5-70	61-68	38-41
Jackson (1)	64-66	63-65	43-45
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	72-84	71-83	46-56

MIDWEST CITIES

Chicago	70-74	68-72	41-45
Detroit (2)	60-65	59-64	39-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	62-66	61-64	37-41
Major Wisconsin Cities	63-70	62-68	39-44

WESTERN CITIES

Houston (1)	82-85	77-81	54-57
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	101	95	74

(1) - Prices reported weekly

(2) - Delivered Warehouse

(3) - Reported Invoice prices

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 08-Mar-02
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	71.48	69.60	48.64
SOUTHERN	66.20	64.11	44.68
MIDWEST	61.27	59.68	40.49
WESTERN	88.37	83.62	66.19
TWELVE METRO AREAS	74.79	71.90	52.82

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	03-12-02	03-05-02	03-13-01
Large	43-46	39-42	39-41
Medium	20-24	20-24	23-35

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM MAR 11, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO	SO	5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	14.2	21.2	10.8	16.0	12.7	74.9
	Change	1.2	0.9	0.9	1.3	-3.0	2%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	30.8	49.5	19.0	29.7	32.2	161.2
	Change	2.4	0.5	-3.0	7.7	2.9	7%
Large	Curr Wk	47.6	143.6	95.4	103.0	138.1	527.7
	Change	1.1	21.5	-6.9	12.1	18.5	10%
Medium	Curr Wk	13.3	40.7	20.6	21.1	28.2	123.9
	Change	0.4	3.4	2.0	1.0	-0.6	5%
Small	Curr Wk	4.7	6.2	6.2	5.6	10.2	32.9
	Change	0.4	-0.9	-1.1	0.0	2.6	3%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.3	23.7	8.2	10.5	5.4	51.1
	Change	-0.6	5.9	0.2	-1.0	-2.4	4%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	19.4	50.7	26.1	29.4	33.8	159.4
	Change	-1.5	-15.5	-3.4	0.8	-1.0	-11%
Total	Curr Wk	133.3	335.6	186.3	215.3	260.6	1131.1
	Change	3%	5%	-6%	11%	7%	4%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1,131.1	4%	170
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	244.0	1%	38
Total Shell Egg	1,375.1	4%	208

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 09-MAR-02

(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,083,058	26,560	9,840	5,318	1,878	3,950
PW	1,109,377	26,321	10,833	5,755	2,623	3,984
LY	1,143,518	25,210	12,278	6,550	2,491	4,178
% PW	-2	1	-9	-8	-28	-1
% LY	-5	5	-20	-19	-25	-5
2002	11,257,985	255,586	113,836	60,714	29,284	40,956
2001	10,950,373	247,308	111,507	60,928	25,778	39,838
% CHG YTD	3	3	2	0	14	3

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.17	42.27	42.16
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.52	38.68	38.51

FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Mar 02	Mar 09	Mar 02	Mar 09
	Thousand			
AL	29,647	29,472	22,042	21,943
AR	30,859	30,238	24,472	24,421
DE	3,442	3,449	4,902	5,499
FL	2,342	2,331	2,128	2,180
GA	31,499	31,845	*26,239	26,174
MD	10,002	9,363	6,751	6,395
MS	18,774	18,807	15,691	15,720
NC	19,692	18,853	15,147	15,495
PA	*3,775	3,711	*2,651	2,850
SC	*4,918	4,819	*3,979	3,914
TX	*15,320	15,324	*12,161	12,216
VA	6,672	6,660	5,601	4,962
CA, TN, & WV	*10,892	11,688	*9,182	9,823
15 State Total	*187,834	186,560	*150,946	151,592
Prev. Year Total	185,689	184,834	143,883	146,406
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	105	104
KY	*6,598	6,685	*4,861	5,305
OK	6,460	6,072	4,038	4,512
LA & MO	9,357	9,308	*9,238	9,403
19 State Total	*210,249	208,625	*169,083	170,812
Revised				

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 20-Apr-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 156.5 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 155.9 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 151.5 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 145.8 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.43 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 03/07/02-03/13/02

CURRENT LDS 72.00 **FUTURE LDS** 128.50 **TOTAL LDS** 200.50

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W XL	—	—	—	54.00	—	—	4.00
GNR W 1	49.67	59.41	51.38	54.50	59.69	55.09	126.50
GNR W 2	—	55.00	—	53.00	54.00	50.00	16.00
GNR W 3	—	35.00	—	34.00	33.00	31.00	4.00
GNR W 4	—	32.25	—	—	29.56	—	4.00
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	40.60	42.60	10.00
GL W XL	—	65.58	60.25	63.91	56.73	—	40.25
GL W LG	—	66.19	58.88	62.41	56.53	—	31.75
GL W MD	—	37.09	32.21	33.26	34.13	37.17	24.25
GL W SM	26.25	27.25	24.00	25.50	—	—	5.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	30.24	32.67	5.25
NRBS - 39	—	—	16.00	18.00	—	19.79	7.25

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 09-Mar-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT	CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.5	23.3	1	3
BOSTON	3.4	3.7	-8	-21
CHICAGO	57.4	44.4	29	19
DETROIT	26.3	27.6	-5	-6
KANSAS CITY	3.8	3.8	0	-64
LOS ANGELES	102.1	109.6	-7	-16
NEW ORLEANS	10.9	10.0	9	12
NEW YORK	32.8	33.6	-2	-19
ST. LOUIS	23.5	18.0	31	45
SAN FRANCISCO	20.7	22.9	-10	-1
TOTAL	304.4	296.9	3	-6
4 WK MVG AVG	300.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 09-Mar-2002

	YOUNG HENS	YOUNG TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	THOUSANDS				
HEAD	1,805	2,630	53	14	4,502
AVG WT	16.32	35.98	24.85	26.66	27.94
LAST WEEK	1,775	2,660	33	11	4,479
SAME WK YR AGO	2,016	2,690	41	17	4,764
AVG WT	16.54	34.04	24.77	23.09	26.54
TO-DATE/2002	17,216	26,044	406	89	43,755
TO-DATE/2001	19,057	26,331	365	159	45,912

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 09-Mar-2002

(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—				OLD	TOTAL TURKEYS	
	THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED		AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT
N EAST	837	-1	22.66	(A)	840	22.66
SATL	862	3	27.79	(A)	865	27.79
N CENT	1,980	2	32.37	(A)	1,983	32.37
S CENT	483	-1	23.01	(A)	486	23.01
WEST	326	-8	22.41	(A)	328	22.41
U.S.TOTAL	4,488(B)	0	27.94	14	4,502	27.94

TO DATE

2002 43,666(B)

89 43,755

TO DATE

2001 45,753(B)

159 45,912

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 53,000; for the year 406,000; last year to date 365,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 09-Mar-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	155,103(A)	1,634	1,319	2,953	428
AVG WT	5.21	3.82	7.62	5.52	6.53
LAST WEEK	154,906	1,705	1,341	3,046	396
SAME WK YR AGO	152,138	2,010	1,270	3,280	516
AVG WT	5.18	3.54	7.81	5.19	6.62
TO-DATE/2002	1,525,923	17,894	12,785	30,679	4,325
TO-DATE/2001	1,491,334	18,487	12,652	31,139	4,903

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 157 million head or 0.7 million head less than or 100 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 16-Mar-02

	CURRENT WEEK 03/16/02 (1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 03/09/02
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	158,522(2)	161,063
LT HENS	1,783	1,781
HVY HENS	1,410	1,415
TOTAL	161,715	164,259

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 16-Mar-02 is 155.6 million head compared to 154.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 158.8 million head or 3.2 million more than estimated available. For week of 23-Mar-02 the estimated available is 154.3 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO
ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
FEBRUARY 2	155.9	157.4	99	5.22
9	157.2	157.2	100	5.09
16	159.9	155.9	103	5.03
23	157.9	157.7	100	5.15
MARCH 2	156.8	158.1	99	5.10
9	157.0	157.7	100	5.21
YEAR TO DATE	1544.5	1549.5	100	
MARCH 16		155.6		
23		154.3		

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 03/11/02-03/16/02

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	45.00-48.00	48.12	41	50.07
Los Angeles	68.00	65.58	68	63.72
New York	46.00-48.00	47.43	23	50.10

12-CITY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from 11-Mar-02	04-Mar-02	04-Mar-02	12-Mar-01
	55.70	0.31	55.39	59.08

NUMBER OF LOADS 556

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**8-16 LB HENS**

EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-60	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	55-57	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	54-56	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	55-56	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 11-Mar-02	1,516	149,307	78,189
AM 1-Feb-02	1,548	141,676	77,105
CHG	-32	7631	1084
PCT CHG	-2	5	1

HEN MARKETS Final Price, Cents Per LB, Generally for slaughter the week of 03/11/02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
HEAVY TYPE			
Southeast (1)	6.75-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9	8.82
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	7-11.75 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9.25	9.05

LIGHT TYPE

Cents Per LB, Day of Negotiation, Generally for slaughter within the next 10 days. 03/08/02

Eastern (1)	0-0
Eastern (2)	0-0
So. Central (2)	TFEWR*
No. Central (1)	TFEWR*
No. Central (2)	0

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*TFEWR - Too Few to Report

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)**

W/E 09-Mar-02

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	227.9	-1	1
E.N. CENTRAL	561.1	4	15
W.N. CENTRAL	283.2	-3	10
S. ATLANTIC	211.5	3	5
S. CENTRAL	89.8	2	15
WEST	189.9	1	-2
TOTAL	1563.4	1	8

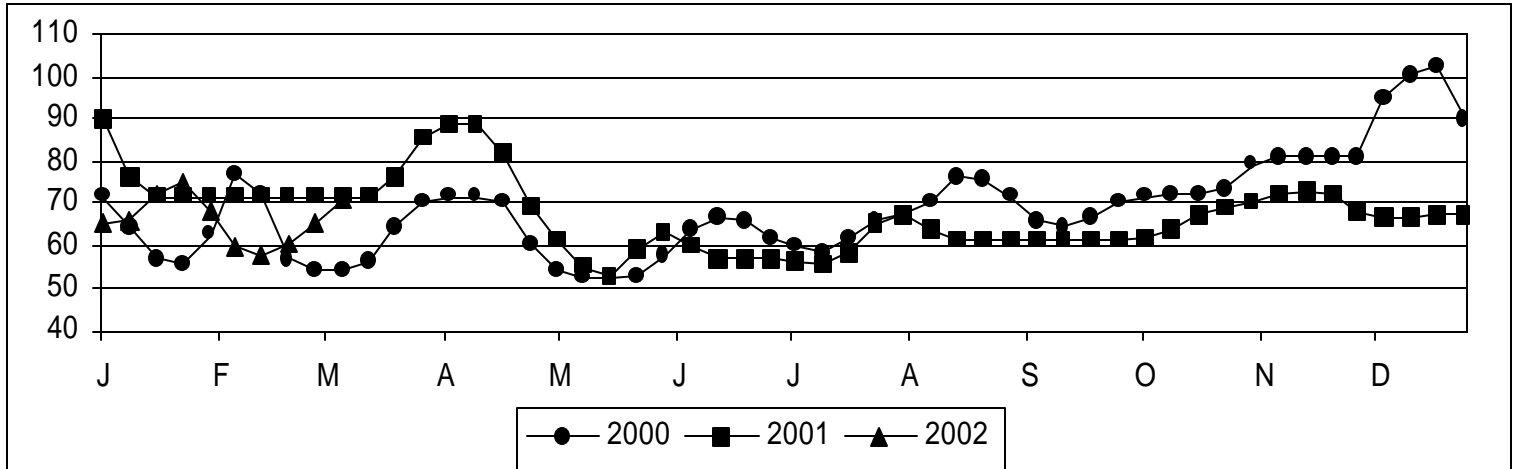
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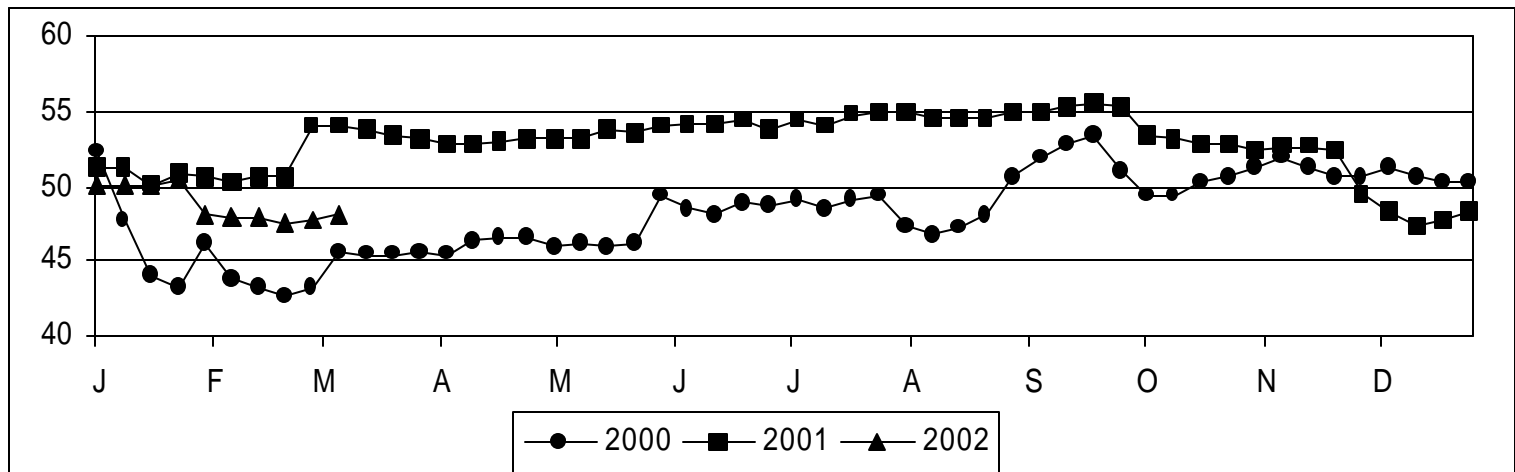
New York Large Weekly Average Price

Cents per Dozen



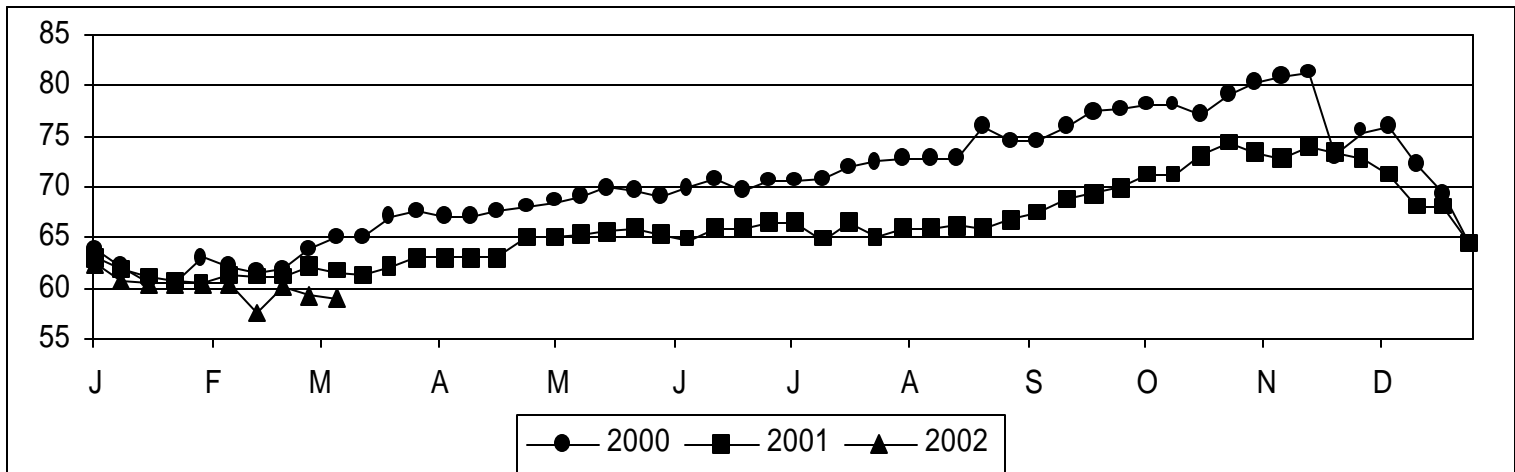
Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices

Cents per Pound



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys

Cents per Pound



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